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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 6, 2000, please amend the above-identified application in order to place this application in form for appeal per the Notice of Appeal mailed December 5, 2000, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 17-18, as follows:

17. An apparatus for englosing an air bag on a steering wheel of a vehicle having a prin, said apparatus comprising:

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